

# North Haven Public Schools

North Haven, Connecticut 06473

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Curriculum, Instruction, and Planning

Thursday, March 6, 2014, 5:00 p.m.

Central Office

## Minutes

1. Math in Focus – Grades 7 & 8

No report at this time.

2. New Course Proposals:  
Computer Aided Design II  
Engineering

Mrs. McKenna shared an email from Mark Fagan thanking the committee for approving the new courses and he reported that his students are loving their new 3-D printer.

3. Discussion of Economics Course (change from Social Studies to Career Education)

The committee discussed growing the Career and Technical Education Department with more offerings and in time thinking about moving Economics under that department.

4. Discussion of World Language Program

Work is currently being done in the World Language Department to strengthen our middle school program and determine what higher level courses we should offer (UConn and/or AP) The committee will discuss this further.

5. Curriculum Writing Process

Mrs. McKenna shared that curricula in many of our K-12 areas are being rewritten. Much is from a pilot form. Mrs. McKenna believes that the curriculum writing process is always in a state of revision and reflection.

6. Discussion of the following field trips:

- Montowese Elementary School – Sturbridge Village field trip on June 5, 2014
- Clintonville Elementary School-Sturbridge Village field trip on May 7, 2014

Montowese and Clintonville field trips to Sturbridge were discussed and approved for this year, however they should NOT make any plans for next year

- Iowa State University – NHHS Future Problem Solvers – June 11-15, 2014

The committee would like more information on the cost to students/chaperones, and the field trip form needs to be signed by a building principal before they committee will approve

- Montreal – 6 Flags – NHHS Music – May 1-4, 2014

NHHS Montreal all trip was discussed and approved.

7. Discussion of summer programs

Mrs. McKenna shared a proposal from Patti White, Science Program Coordinator regarding potential STEM summer program. Mrs. White will look into it more. The committee would like to discuss the summer school program that is held at Ridge Road.

8. SBAC update

No update was given at this time.

9. New Clubs:

- Ultimate Frisbee Club
- Video Game Club
- Ski and Snowboard Club
- Women's Movement Council
- Hiking Club

All new clubs were approved.

The committee discussed when they should meet and determined that they will meet on the first Monday of every month, however move the time to 1:00 p.m. This school year there are three remaining meetings: April 7, May 5, and June 2.